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Applicant : M. NAKAHANADA et al  
Serial No. : 10/806,816  
Filed : March 23, 2004  
For : IMAGE FORMING METHOD AND IMAGE  
FORMING APPARATUS  
Art Unit : 2853  
Examiner : MARTINEZ, CARLOS A.  
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**RESPONSE- 37 C.F.R. 1.111**

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This is responsive to the Office Action mailed  
JUNE 7, 2006, the term for response to which expires on  
JULY 7, 2006.

**ELECTION**

Applicants hereby elect Invention II, claims 21-27, 37 and  
38 , for further prosecution on the merits, without traverse.

**RE INVENTORSHIP**

Applicants have informed the undersigned that only Manabu  
NAKAHANADA is the inventor of the above elected invention. A  
request for change of inventorship will be filed in due course  
after prosecution of the application proceeds further.

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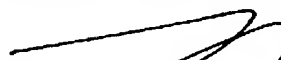
It is respectfully requested that prosecution on the merits now proceed on the basis of the election set forth above.

It is respectfully submitted that this submission is fully responsive to the outstanding Office Action.

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If the Examiner has any comments, questions, objections or recommendations, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the telephone number given below for prompt action.

Respectfully submitted,



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